

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-08

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R 260917Z JUL 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3470  
INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
AMCONSUL DHAHRAN  
AMEMBASSY DOHA  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
AMEMBASSY MANAMA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP AFSP MU  
SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL ACTION PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1978--OMAN

REF: (A) STATE 166272, (B) MANAMA 1549, (C) STATE A-1111

1. EMBASSY MUSCAT DOES NOT PLAN TO SUBMIT CAP FOR FY 1978.  
RELATIVELY SMALL MARKET SIZE; AN ECONOMY BASED MAINLY ON  
OIL, CONSTRUCTION, AND RETAIL TRADING; AND FUTURE GROWTH PROSPECTS  
INCREASINGLY DEPENDENT ON PROJECT ASSISTANCE FROM SAUDI ARABIA  
AND KUWAIT MEAN A NARROW AND OBVIOUS RANGE OF POST CHOICES FOR  
COMMERCIAL EMPHASIS. AN OMANI CAP WILL NOT BECOME A TRULY  
USEFUL PLANNING TOOL UNTIL OMAN'S ECONOMY ACHIEVES SIGNIFICANT  
SOPHISTICATION AND DIVERSIFICATION AWAY FROM PETROLEUM.

2. WE AGREE WITH EMBASSY MANAMA'S SUGGESTIONS  
(REF B) FOR A REGIONAL CCP FOCUSING ON REGIONAL COM-  
MERCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS, TRADE MISSIONS, AND TECHNICAL  
SEMINARS. WE BELIEVE A REGIONAL CCP SHOULD EMPHASIZE  
IMPORTANCE OF REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS  
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